

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF: AR-18J

Myrna Halbach Director of Operational Support Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road North St. Paul, Minnesota 55155 4194

> Re: State Clean Diesel Grant Program Fiscal Year 2009 Program Funds

Dear Ms. Halbach:

The purpose of this letter is to provide notification of the target budget for the State Clean Diesel Program for Fiscal Year (FY) 2009. This target is determined through a formula outlined under the Diesel Emissions Reduction Program in Section 793(c) (Subtitle G of the Energy Policy Act of 2005). We are excited about the continued interest in the State Clean Diesel Program by all the States.

The FY 2009 funds will supplement the current FY 2008 State Clean Diesel Program awards, which are direct, non-competitive assistance awards. States must submit a revised Work Plan, budget and appropriate grant application forms by December 11, 2009, to receive the FY 2009 funds. States are not required to provide the State match listed on the following page, but if a State chooses to match the entire base, the State will receive a match bonus equal to 50 percent of the Environmental Protection Agency base funding. States do not have to commit to the match until they submit the application package on or before December 11, 2009.

These funds supplement the current State Clean Diesel Program two-year award covering the grant period between October 2008 and September 2011. The following table details the funds the State previously received in FY 2008 and the potential funds the State will receive in FY 2009.

Fiscal Year	Estimated EPA Base	State Match	EPA Match Bonus	Potential Total*
2008	\$196,880	\$196,880	\$98,440	\$492,200
2009	\$235,294	\$235,294	\$117,647	\$588,235
Total Award Funding	\$432,174	\$432,174	\$216,087	\$1,080,435

^{*} This total reflects the amount total of the Estimated EPA Base, State Match, and EPA Match Bonus.

I appreciate your efforts as we continue working together to accomplish our mutual diesel emission reduction goals. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, you may call me at 312-353-6730 or Steve Marquardt, of my staff, at 312-353-3214. Application materials and instructions are available on the web at www.epa.gov/cleandiesel.

Sincerely,

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